



*DG Court at Rotary Club of Newnan Firewoods Event with President Cathy and AG Ed Outlaw*

From the District Governor

## Have Fun and They Will Come!

By Court Dowis, Jr.

It is my honor to serve as your District Governor for 2018-2019. We can look forward to building and improving our membership, our clubs and our district to further benefit the "Object of Rotary" in the communities and world we serve. This year I look forward to meeting, serving and working with each of you, while we build Teamwork and Race to the Checkered Flag and the Winner's Circle in every community and Rotary Club in District 6900. Our district theme is "Have Fun and They Will Come." At the finish line, we hope to have many new members, make a difference in the lives of many people, and have fun doing it!  
[more]

### LEADERBOARD

Check out the full district scoreboard

Here are the clubs that are leading the way in our district for membership, annual fund and polio plus.

Category	NET MEMBERSHIP	ANNUAL FUND	POLIO PLUS
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I **Cordele**

II **Blakely**

III

IV **Alpharetta**

### Key Dates

Thursday, July 9th, 2026	<b>North Atlanta Professional Alliance Governor Visit</b>
Tuesday, July 14th, 2026	<b>Paulding County Governor Visit</b>
Tuesday, July 28th, 2026	<b>Jackson-Butts County Governor Visit</b>
Thursday, July 30th, 2026	<b>North Cobb County Governor Visit</b>
Monday, August 3rd, 2026	<b>Marietta-Metro Governor Visit</b>
Tuesday, August 4th, 2026	<b>North Columbus Governor Visit</b>



## BE THE INSPIRATION

Message from Our  
RI President

### Be The Inspiration

By Court Dowis,  
Jr.

*Our new RI  
President, Barry  
Rassin, is from  
our Rotary Zone  
34. I wanted to  
share his  
message with  
each of you.  
[more]*



RYLA

### Inspiring Our Youth: Having Fun, Building Friendships and Serving the Community

By Jaclyn Donovan  
If it's summertime  
in District 6900  
that mean it's time  
for the Rotary  
Youth Leadership  
Awards, better  
known as RYLA!!  
RYLA is designed  
for young adults  
with proven  
leadership ability  
and a commitment  
to community  
service. [more]

The Rotary Foundation

## Happy Rotary New Year!

By Margie Kersey

The new year has begun - congratulations on your new Rotary position! Every year is a new opportunity to be an inspiration to the world. The Rotary Foundation is your tool to create change and do good in the world. This year is no different except it is your chance. Take this opportunity to step up and make a difference!  
[more]

- Display case
- Modular panel and platform displays
- Reader Rails
- Large format graphic panels
- Ceiling panels increase the ceiling height in sections
- Ceiling panels progress from navy blue to aqua
- Track lighting for displays
- Risers for various artifacts
- New laminate flooring
- Translucent graphic panels over windows



Birds Eye View



Entrance View Looking Down Main Aisle

WARM SPRINGS  
Entrance - Concept



Update on Warm Springs Project

## Annual Report for Friends of Ann Johnson and Adopt a Cottage Program Roosevelt Warm Springs

By Steve Stanfield

When I last reported to you, we had reached an agreement with Georgia Department of Natural Resource (GA DNR) - The Little White House - to put the Polio Eradication Museum - in memory of Past District Governor Ann Johnson (first female District Governor of Rotary District 6900 - and in all of Georgia) at the outdoor pool at Warm Springs, Georgia. [more]



*Our most recent District 6900 RLI participants ... students and trainers all learn through their RLI experience.*

Rotary  
Leadership  
Institute  
**Mark  
Your  
Calendars  
and Plan  
to Be  
Inspired**

By Elwyn  
Gaissert, II  
At RLI, our  
purpose is to  
give you the  
necessary tools  
and skills to be  
better Rotarians.  
As in every  
endeavor, the  
more you know  
about anything,  
the more  
interesting it  
becomes. Rotary  
is most  
assuredly one of  
those areas that  
the more you  
put into it, the  
more you get  
out of it. RLI can  
make that  
possible for you.  
Graduates of RLI  
are more likely  
to remain in,  
and be a bigger  
part of Rotary,  
than any other  
demographic.  
Check out  
what's  
happening with  
RLI's Sunshine  
Division and our  
District 6900  
opportunities for  
this Rotary year  
[more]



GRSP Update  
**Sharing  
Memories,  
Investing  
in the  
Future**

By Lynn Clarke  
This year Georgia Rotary Clubs will host 47 students from 13 countries, attending 23 schools in Georgia. District 6900 will be hosting 21 students from Brazil, Pakistan, Columbia, Turkey, Germany, Scotland, Sweden, England, Denmark, Zimbabwe and Nigeria. Of those, 15 are female and six are male. 42 of our 68 clubs are hosting a student for next year. [more]

*Above - Lynn Clarke and Anita, her first GRSP student. Below - Magu from Brazil, Class of 2017-18*



Global Scholar Update  
**D6900 Global Scholar Interns in Beirut**

By Jackie Cuthbert  
Find out what Global Scholar Kate Keator is doing with her summer ... [more]

Rotaract News

## **Four Cobb Clubs Partner to Sponsor Rotaract at Kennesaw State**

By Dave Schwickerath

The Rotary Clubs of **Marietta, Marietta Metro, East Cobb and North Cobb** are partnering to sponsor the Rotaract Club at Kennesaw State University for Rotary Year 2018-2019. Incoming Club Presidents Jesse Evans (Marietta), Jim Bunda (Metro), Anne Marie Pitts (East Cobb) and David Schwickerath (North Cobb) are committed to supporting ... [more]



Congratulations!  
**Ray  
McKemie  
Honored  
for  
Foundation  
Work**

By Jackie Cuthbert  
In our year-end awards celebration, District 6900 had the honor to present the Rotary International Foundation "Distinguished Service Award" to Past District Foundation Chair **Ray McKemie** from the **Rotary Club of Pelham!** This prestigious RI Foundation Award is only provided to those Rotarians that make Truly Exceptional ... [more]



Now DG Court Dowis, now PDG Alec Smythe, PDG Cheryl Greenway, Past RI Director Robert Hall, PDG Fran Milberg, PDG Bob Hagan and now DGE Jim Squire at our district's special dinner

RI Convention

## D6900 Rotarians Enjoy Their Time in Toronto

By Jackie Cuthbert

More than 60 District 6900 Rotarians and family members attended this year's Rotary International Convention in Toronto, Canada. We were treated to amazing entertainment and speaker's - including Former First Lady Laura Bush and many more. [more]



*Boys and Girls Club grant recipients with Decatur Rotary's Community Grants Chair*

Club News

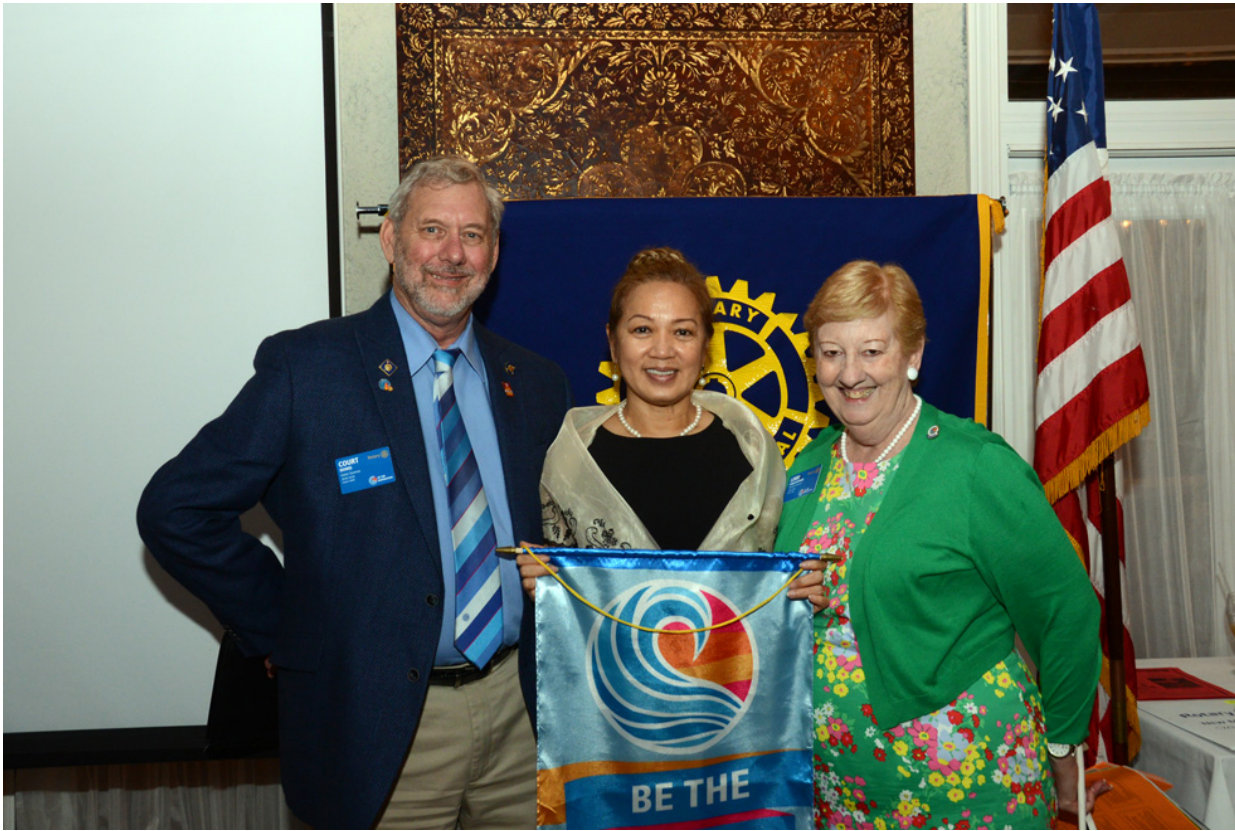
## Decatur Rotary Foundation Community Grants Recipients

By Betty Spiker  
In May, the **Decatur Rotary Club** presented \$18,000 in grants to non-profit organizations based in DeKalb County that focus on youth literacy and at-risk youth in DeKalb County. [more]



Club News  
**Dunwoody  
Supports  
Shelter  
for  
Domestic  
Violence  
Victims**

By Dottie Toney  
Members of the **Rotary Club of Dunwoody** recently served dinner to women and children who are residing in a Partners Against Domestic Violence home for those who have been abused in their domestic settings. [more]



*DG Court Dowis with Emory-Clifton President Pia Valeriano and AG Lorri Christopher*

Club News  
**Emory  
Clifton  
Kicks Off  
the New  
Rotary  
Year**

By Alan  
Janssen

Striving to build on the success of its first year that included receiving a Service award for distributing over 2,000 pairs of shoes to Filipino children, the **Rotary Club of Emory-Clifton** installed new officers on June 18. Chris Brand, the President ...  
[more]



Club News Beyond  
the District

## **Jasper Rotarians Soar Happiness with Xylophones**

By Dale Covington  
Marietta Rotarian  
Dale Covington  
was on hand when  
members of the  
**Rotary Club of  
Jasper (Rotary  
District 6910)**,  
led by Regina  
Cates Martin,  
gathered in  
Rotary's section of  
Roper Park to  
dedicate  
completion of a  
Children's Music  
Park. [more]